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CURRICULUM VITAE

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PERSONAL:

Born 13 June, 1947, in Arisbach, Germany
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DEGREES:

B.Sc. (cum laude), 1969, in Microbiology and Biochemistry, Bar-Ilan University, Ramat-Gan, Israel

M.Sc. (cum laude), 1971, in Cell Biology Department of Life Science, Bar-Ilan University, Ramat-Gan, Israel. *Thesis:* "Studies on quantitative responses of colonies of macrophages in agar to immunization with particulate and soluble antigens"

Ph.D., 1976, Department of Cell Biology, The Weizmann Institute of Science, Rehovot, Israel. *Thesis:* "Investigations of mechanisms involved in the immune reactivity of lymphoid cells. (a) Characterization of the target cells for thymus hormone activity; (b) Role of suppressor T cells in the regulation of immune responses

POSITIONS:

- 1985-to date Associate Professor, Department of Cell Biology, The Weizmann Institute of Science, Rehovot, Israel
- 1989-1990 Visiting Professor on sabbatical leave, c/o Prof. Arnold Levine, Department of Biology, Lewis Thomas Laboratory, Princeton University, Princeton, New Jersey USA
- 1981-1985 Senior Scientist, Department of Cell Biology, Weizmann Institute of Science, Rehovot, Israel. *Research Topic:* Molecular mechanisms controlling the expression of the p53 tumor antigen
- 1979 - 1981 Postdoctoral fellow, Center for Cancer Research, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, MA, USA. Supervisor: Prof. David Baltimore. Supported by a U.S. Public Health Service International Research Fellowship. *Research Topic:* Analysis of cellular and viral-encoded transformation related proteins expressed in Ab-MuLV transformed cells

1976-1979 Scientist, postdoctoral fellow, Department of Cell Biology, The Weizmann Institute of Science. *Subject:* (a) The development of bioassays for the determination of THF activity along the process of purification and clinical evaluation of the immune response; (b) Purification of alanine from plasma or thymic extracts and its role in the immune response of human lymphocytes.

AWARDS:

1979 Public Health Service International Research post-doctoral Fellowship
1982 Israel Cancer Research Fund Fellowship
1982 Incumbent of the Norman and Helen Asher Chair for Cancer Research
1983 Special Fellow, Leukemia Society of America
1986 Incumbent of the Norman and Helen Asher Professorial Chair for Cancer Research
1986 M. Levinson Award for Molecular Biology, The Weizmann Institute
1987 Career Development Award from the Israel Cancer Research Fund
1989 UICC-Eleanor Roosevelt International Cancer Research Fellowship

PROFESSIONAL SOCIETY MEMBERSHIPS:

Israel Immunological Society
American Society for Microbiology
Chairman of the Israel Cancer Research Fund (ICRF) Alumni

EDITORIAL BOARDS:

Member, Editorial Board of Oncogene, 1986-date

INVITED LECTURES:

The First Israel Cancer Research Fund Scientific Conference, on Advanced Concepts in Cancer Research, March 6-10 1988, Tiberias Israel. Title of lecture: The involvement of the human p53 in malignancy and differentiation

Third International p53 Workshop, 8-10, May 1988, Villejuif, France. Title of lecture: The expression of two human p53 protein products is regulated by an alternative splicing mechanism

Symposium on "Virus-Cell Interaction." and Workshop on "Vectors for transfer and expression of genes," 18-20, October 1988, Wilsede Germany. Title of lecture: Analysis of transcriptional regulatory regions of the human p53 gene in human cells, using an EBV-derived shuttle vector

NATO/EEC course on "The molecular basis of cell growth regulation," 30 April-10 May 1989, Mallorca, Spain. Title of lecture: Rearrangements in the p53 gene in Philadelphia chromosome positive Chronic Myelogenous Leukemia

Fourth International p53 Workshop, 2-5, June 1990, Oxted England. Title of lectures: 1. Nuclear accumulation of the p53 protein is mediated by several localization signals. 2. Rearrangements in the p53 gene in Philadelphia chromosome positive Chronic Myelogenous Leukemia

Gordon Conference on Animal cells and viruses, 18-22 June 1990, Tilton School, NH, USA. Title of lecture: Nuclear accumulation of the p53 protein is mediated by several localization signals

26th Annual Meeting of the Israeli Society for Clinical Biochemistry, April 21-24, 1991, Tel Aviv. Title of lecture: p53, a growth regulation protein

13th Pasteur Institute-Weizmann Institute Symposium on "Use of gene transfer for the study of normal and malignant cell development," June 16-18, 1991, Rehovot, Israel. Title of Lecture: Nuclear localization and activity of wild type p53

Fifth International p53 Workshop, 21-24, June 1991, Princeton USA. Title of lecture: *Wild type* p53 expression mediates pre-B cell differentiation

15th International Congress of Biochemistry, August 4-8, Jerusalem Israel. Title of lecture: *Wild type* p53 expression mediates pre-B cell differentiation

Invited Scientist, The Joseph J. Schiffer Exchange Program in Oncology, Mt. Sinai Hospital, Toronto, Ontario, Canada, August 17-22, 1991. Titles of lectures: 1. p53 and human malignancies; 2. p53, a growth regulator; 3. Nuclear localization and the activity of the p53 protein

Philippe Laudat Conference, INSERM, Oncogenes, Suppressor Genes and Cell Cycle Control, October 6-10 1991, Bischoffheim, France. Title of lecture: Nuclear Localization and activity of p53 suppressor gene.

Instituto de Investigacion Biologicas Clemente Estable, Montevideo, Uruguay, October 28-November 1, 1991, Course on Oncogenes. 1. Oncogenes in malignancy; 2. Suppressor genes and malignancy; 3. p53 expression in human tumors; 4. p53, a growth regulation gene
PEDECIBA, Program de las Naciones Unidas para el Desarrollo, UNESCO

The Second Israel Cancer Research Fund Scientific Conference on Advanced Concepts in Cancer Research, November 18-20, 1991, Ma'ale Hahamisha Israel. Title of lecture: p53, a growth regulator

Maimonides Conference, on Protein DNA and protein-protein interactions in oncogenesis, November 25-30, 1991, Ein Gedi, Israel. Title of Lecture: *Wild type* p53 expression mediates pre-B cell differentiation

ORGANIZATION OF SCIENTIFIC MEETINGS

Chairperson, Organizing Committee, The First Cancer Research Fund Scientific Conference on Advanced Concepts in Cancer Research, March 6-10 1988, Tiberias, Israel

Co-Organizer, with Prof. A. Levine: "Fifth p53 Workshop", June 1991, Princeton, USA.

Chairperson, Organizing Committee, The Second Cancer Research Fund Scientific Conference on Advanced Concepts in Cancer Research, March 6-10 1988, Ma'ale Hahamisha, Israel

Co-Organizer, with Prof. M. Oren: "Sixth p53 Workshop", November 1992, Weizmann Institute, Israel.

List of Students

Arie Katz, M. Sc. (graduated 1984)
Ken Zerivitz, M. Sc. (graduated 1984)
Nicholas Harris, M. Sc. (1985), Ph. D. (1990)
David Wolf, Ph. D. (1985)
Michael Greenberg, M. Sc. (1987)
Gad Shaulsky, Ph. D. (1991)
Orit Shohat, M. Sc. (1987). Ph. D student
Einat Brill, M. Sc (1987). Ph. D. student
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Barry Elkind, Ph. D. student
Arnon Simons, Ph. D. student
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Dov Shwarz Ms.C. Student

List of post doctoral fellows:

David Reisman 1986-1991
Dvora Ronen 1988-1990
Miron Prokocimer 1987-1988
Nir Navot

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LIST OF PUBLICATIONS

1. Pluznik, D., Rotter, V. and Scheinman, R. (1972). Kinetics of proliferation of splenic macrophage precursor cells during the early primary immune response. *J. RES.* 11:154-
2. Pluznik, D.H. and Rotter, V. (1971). Differential response of macrophage precursors and antibody forming cells. In: *The Reticuloendothelial system and Immune Phenomena*. Plenum Press, N.Y., p. 249.
3. Lonai, P., Mogilner, B., Rotter, V. and Trainin, N. (1973). Studies on the effect of a thymic humoral factor on differentiation of thymus derived lymphocytes. *Eur. J. Immunol.* 3:21-26.
4. Globerson, A., Rotter, V., Nakamura, I. and Trainin, N. (1973). Thymus extracts induce differentiation of thymus derived cells. In: *Microenvironmental aspects of immunity*. Eds. B.D. Jankovic and K. Isakovic. Plenum Press, N.Y., pp. 183-189.
5. Rotter, V., Globerson, A., Nakamura, I. and Trainin, N. (1973). Studies on characterization of lymphoid target cells for activity of thymus humoral factor. *J. Exp. Med.* 138:130-142
6. Trainin, N., Levo, Y. and Rotter, V. (1974). Resistance to hydrocortisone conferred upon thymocytes by a thymic humoral factor. *Eur. J. Immunol.* 4:643-637.
7. Rotter, V. and Trainin, N. (1974). Thymus cell population exerting a regulatory function in the immune response of mice to polyvinylpyrrolidone. *Cell. Immunol.* 13:76-86.
8. Rotter, V. and Trainin, N. (1975). Increased mitogenic reactivity of normal spleen cells to T lectins induced by thymus humoral factor (THF). *Cell. Immunol.* 16:413-421.
9. Rotter, V. and Trainin, N. (1975). Inhibition of tumor growth in syngeneic chimeric mice-mediated by a depletion-of suppressor T cells. *Transplantation* 20:68-74.
10. Rotter, V. and Trainin, N. (1975). Elimination of suppressor T cells in mice undergoing a graft versus-host reaction expressed by increased response to polyvinylpyrrolidone. *Cell. Immunol.* 18:199-209.
11. Levo, Y., Rotter, V. and Ramot, B. (1975). Restoration of cellular immune response by levamisole in patients with Hodgkin's disease. *Biomedicine* 23:198-.
12. Rotter, V. and Trainin, N. (1975). The thymus and the immune response. (In Hebrew) *Mada* 19:76-80.
13. Trainin, N., Small, M., Zipori, D., Umiel, T., Kook, A.I. and Rotter, V. (1975). Characteristics of THF, a thymic hormone. In: *Biological Properties of Thymic Hormones*. (Ed. D.W. van Bekkum) Kooyker Scientific Publications, pp. 117-144.

14. Rotter, V. and Trainin, N. (1976). Depletion of suppressor T cells in syngeneic chimeric mice in immune reactivity of lymphocytes. In: *Immune Reactivity of Lymphocytes*. Eds. M. Feldman and A. Globerson. Plenum Press, pp. 593-598.
15. Rotter, V., Schlesinger, M., Kalderon, R. and Trainin, N. (1976). Response of human lymphocytes to PHA and Con A, dependent on and regulated by THF, a thymic hormone. *J. Immunol.* 117:1927-1932.
16. Rotter, V. and Trainin, N. (1977). Effect of THF on the response of different lymphoid cell populations to T mitogens. *Isr. J. Med. Sci.* 13:363-
17. Zaizov, R., Vogel, R., Cohen, I., Varsano, I., Shohat, B., Rotter, V. and Trainin, N. (1977). Thymic hormone (THF) therapy in immunosuppressed children with lymphoproliferative neoplasia and generalized varicella. *Biomedicine* 27:105-108.
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20. Rotter, V. and Trainin, N. (1979). Augmented response of human cells to PHA and Con A mediated by thymic hormone (THF) and by a thymic plasma restoring factor (TPRF). *J. Immunol.* 122:414-420.
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23. Trainin, N., Rotter, V., Yakir, Y., Leve, R., Handzel, Z. I., Shohat, B. and Zaizov, R. (1979). Biochemical and biological properties of THF in animal and human models. In: *Subcellular Factors in Immunity*. Ed. H. Friedman, *Annals N.Y. Acad. Sci.* 332, pp. 9-22.
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